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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

FOR DISCUSSION OF IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW AIRBORNE TOXIC CONTROL MEASURE TO REDUCE EMISSIONS OF TOXIC AIR CONTAMINANTS FROM OUTDOOR RESIDENTIAL WASTE BURNING

The San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (District) will hold a public meeting to discuss the implementation of a new California Air Resources Board (ARB) statewide regulation entitled the Airborne Toxic Control Measure (ATCM) to Reduce Emissions of Toxic Air Contaminants from Outdoor Residential Waste Burning. Under the California Health and Safety Code, the District is required to enforce state airborne toxic control measures. Comments concerning local implementation of the control measure may be submitted in writing before, or made at, the meeting which is scheduled as follows:

DATE:

Friday, November 7, 2003

TIME:

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

PLACE:

Lindo Lake County Park

Lakeside Community Center

Moreno Room 9841 Vine Street

Lakeside, CA 92040

(Map & driving directions below)

On February 21, 2002, ARB adopted a new regulation (Section 93113, Title 17, California Code of Regulations) designed to reduce public exposure to dioxins and other toxics from outdoor residential waste burning statewide. Exposure to these toxic pollutants may cause cancer, immune system damage, and other health problems.

Beginning January 1, 2004, the regulation prohibits most outdoor burning of residential waste in a large area of eastern San Diego County where outdoor burning of residential waste is currently allowed with a valid permit. Dry, natural vegetation grown on the property can still be burned outdoors in open piles (but not in burn barrels) with a valid permit. The regulation applies to anyone burning residential waste outdoors in open piles, burn pits, burn barrels, or incinerators. Residential waste burning is defined as the disposal of combustible and flammable waste from a single- or two-family dwelling or residence by burning outdoors. It does not include agricultural burning or prescribed burning. Waste is defined by the regulation and includes all discarded solid, semi-solid and liquid materials. District Rule 101, Burning Control, already prohibits open residential burning in the western section of San Diego County.

Specifically, the new ATCM:

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- Prohibits, beginning January 1, 2004, most burning of residential waste outdoors in specified areas (those with a population density of more than three persons per square mile).
- Applies to many areas in the eastern section of the county where residential waste burning has been allowed in the past with a valid permit.
- Allows open burning of clean, dry vegetation waste in all unincorporated areas.
- Allows the burning of dry non-glossy paper and cardboard and the use of burn barrels
 and incinerators in unincorporated areas with population densities of three persons or
 less. (In addition to ATCM requirements, such burning can only be done on permissive
 burn days using a District-approved ignition device, and a Burn Permit is required before
 conducting any open, outdoor burning.)

The District will provide an overview of the new regulation at the meeting. The District will also provide maps of affected areas and additional educational material regarding the regulation.

Copies of the ATCM may be obtained from the Air Resources Board web site at http://www.arb.ca.gov/smp/resburn/finalatcm.pdf, or you may call Luann Serbesku at (858) 650-4544. In addition, copies of the map of areas affected by the regulation can be obtained from the District's website at http://www.sdapcd.co.san-diego.ca.us/rules/advise/areamap.pdf. If you have any questions concerning the proposal, please contact Jimmie Cooksey at (858) 650-4554, Scott Underhill at (858) 650-4555, or Steve Moore at (858) 650-4598.

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From I-8, take Highway 67 north. Exit at Mapleview Street. Go right on Mapleview to Vine Street. Go right on Vine Street to the community center.